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CAPETOWN FOR EMBASSY

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SUBJECT: VISIT OF BISHOP MUZOREWA TO SWEDEN

1. BISHOP MUZOREWA'S VISIT TO STOCKHOLM FEBRUARY 3-6, UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE METHODIST CHURCH, GAVE HIM AN OPPORTUNITY TO MEET THE SWEDISH PRESS AND DISCUSS THE ZIMBABWEAN SITUATION WITH THE MFA. MUZOREWA'S PRESENTATION FOLLOWED THE SAME PATTERN AS IN OTHER
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SCANDINAVIAN COUNTRIES, WITH THE BISHOP MAINTAINING THAT THE VAST MAJORITY OF ZIMBABWEANS SUPPORT HIM, PLEDGING THAT HE WILL NOT NEGOTIATE WITH SMITH OUTSIDE THE GENEVA FRAMEWORK, AND CRITICIZING THE PATRIOTIC FRONT AND THE FRONT-LINE PRESIDENTS.

2. MUZOREWA MET WITH MFA OFFICIALS, INCLUDING DIRECTOR

OF POLITICAL AFFAIRS LEIFLAND, AND PAID A SHORT COURTESY CALL ON FOREIGN MINISTER SODER. A MFA SOURCE TOLD EMBASSY OFFICER THAT MUZOREWA DID MOST OF THE TALKING AND HAD LITTLE NEW TO SAY. IN ADDITION TO REITERATING HIS PAST ACHIEVEMENTS AND HIS CLAIM THAT HE HAS MAJORITY SUPPORT IN ZIMBABWE (HE MENTIONED THE FIGURE OF 90 PERCENT SUPPORT FOR HIMSELF AND SITHOLE IN HIS PRESS CONFERENCE), HE ARGUED THAT THE DECISION BY THE FRONT-LINE PRESIDENTS TO SUPPORT THE PATRIOTIC FRONT DOES NOT EXCLUDE HIM FROM A PROMINENT ROLE IN AN INDEPENDENT ZIMBABWE. MUZOREWA MAINTAINED THAT THE PRESIDENTS SEE THE PF AS THE BEST MEANS FOR CARRYING OUT THE LIBERATION STRUGGLE, BUT THAT EVEN MANY OF MEMBERS OF THE GUREILLA FORCE (ZIPA) ARE ACTUALLY MEMBERS OF MUZOREWA'S ANC. HE REPEATED HIS CONCERN THAT ATTEMPTS ARE BEING MADE TO IMPOSE A POLITICAL ORDER FROM OUTSIDE THE COUNTRY, AND AGAIN CALLED FOR EARLY ELECTIONS AS A MEANS OF LIMITING THOSE WHO NOW HOLD MILITARY POWER THROUGH LEADERSHIP OF THE GUERILLA MOVEMENT.

3. IN RESPONSE TO SWEDISH QUESTIONS, MUZOREWA CRITICIZED THE ADMINISTRATION OF REFUGEE CAMPS IN MOZAMBIQUE AND SAID THAT HE HAD HEARD OF NO SWEDISH MERCENARIES IN ZIMBABWE (ALLEGATIONS OF SWEDISH MERCENARIES THERE BEING SOMETHING OF A SORE POINT WITH THE GOS.) THE ASSISTANCE NEEDS OF THE LIBERATION MOVEMENTS AND THE ANC IN PARTICULAR WERE DISCUSSED, BUT MUZOREWA MADE NO DIRECT REQUESTS AND NO NEW PLANS FOR AID RESULTED.

4. THE GOS BROUGHT UP A ZIMBABWE DEVELOPMENT FUND AND
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ASKED MUZOREWA'S OPINION. ACCORDING TO MFA SOURCE, MUZOREWA SEEMED TO TAKE A RATHER DIM VIEW, THOUGH HE WAS UNPREPARED TO DISCUSS IN MUCH DEPTH. WHILE HE IS INTERESTED IN RECEIVING AID FOR THE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF ZIMBABWE, HE APPEARED TO BE SKEPTICAL ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF PROVIDING SPECIAL AID TO THE WHITE MINORITY.
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